

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1566 - HB 1833

April 1, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a 27 member chronic kidney disease task force to develop a plan to educate the public and health care professionals about advantages and methods of early screening, diagnosis, and treatment of chronic kidney disease; recommend implementation of a plan for early screenings, diagnosis and treatment; and identify barriers to adoption of best practices and potential public policy options to address the barriers. The Department of Health shall provide administrative and research staff for the task force. The task force shall submit a report to the General Assembly within one year from the date of its first meeting.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - \$1,700/One-Time
\$48,900/Recurring**

Assumptions:

- The 27 members of the task force will receive travel reimbursements for attending meetings. It is estimated that of the 23 non-legislative members of the committee, 10 members will be from East and West Tennessee and the remaining 13 members will be from Middle Tennessee.
- Each of the 10 East and West Tennessee members will receive \$360 per meeting which includes mileage (300 miles x \$.54 = \$162), hotel (\$117), meals (\$81). The total increase per meeting for these members is estimated to be \$3,600 (\$360 x 10).
- Each of the 13 Middle Tennessee members will receive \$54 (100 miles x \$.54) per meeting resulting in an increase in expenditures of \$702 (\$54 x 13) per meeting.
- Each of the four legislative members will receive travel and per diem expenses of \$325 (\$171 per diem plus \$154 mileage for each member) per meeting resulting in an increase in expenditures of \$1,300 per meeting.
- The task force will meet at least quarterly resulting in an increase in expenditures of \$22,408 [4 x (\$3,600 + \$702 + \$1,300)].

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- The Department of Health will need a part-time public health program director position to assist the task force with research and provide administrative support. This position will result in an increase in recurring expenditures of \$26,500 for salary (\$24,800), travel (\$300), and communications and networking (\$1,400) and one-time expenditures of \$1,700 for a computer.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "White" clearly legible, and "W." in the middle.

James W. White, Executive Director

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